

**Holy Family Cluster, Leicester. The Parishes of  
St Joseph's, Our Lady of Good Counsel and  
Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary  
First Sunday Of Advent Cl, Sunday 1st December 2024**



Saturday 30th	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	RIP Maria Lourdes De Albuquerque, Adriano & Marcelina Rocha, Thelma Barboza, C.D Varkey, Jose, Madelena, Janet & Anthony Brito, Pedro Rosario, Luis, Maria & dec'd souls of Graca Fly. <b>GH</b> Wilson Rocha & Fly & Maybel Maria George. <b>GH B'Day</b> Noel Barboza.
Sunday 1st <b>1st Sunday Of Advent</b>  (Live-streamed)	9am Mass	St Joseph's	<b>RIP</b> Armando & Adelina Noronha, Jacinto Noronha & Oscar Miranda, Oliver & Assumption Miranda.
	10:15am Mass	Our Lady's	<b>RIP</b> Antonio Desouza & Edviz Pereira, Dec'd fly of Bankui & Gamsi Fly & Friends.
	11.30am Mass	Sacred Heart	<b>RIP</b> Jimmie Mannix, Diogo Rodrigues, Fr Gustavo Gutierrez OP, Wilma Cork. <b>Int</b> In Thanksgiving. <b>GH B'Day</b> Zemira Brito & Belarina D'Souza (60th B'Day) & Ray Lewis. <b>GH</b> Celda & Oscar Miranda.

Mon 2nd <b>Advent Feria</b>	10am Mass 2pm Mass 6pm Reception	SMM St Joseph's School Mass, All welcome. Sacred Heart	For the parishioners of SMM. RIP Sean McKenna.
Tue 3rd <b>St Francis Xavier</b>	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 11.30am Mass 1pm Funeral 6:30pm Feast Mass	Sacred Heart St Joseph's Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	<b>RIP</b> Phil DeSouza. <b>GH</b> Elfina Rosario. For the People of the Parish. RIP Sean McKenna. <b>RIP</b> Dec'd of the Leicester Goan Community.
Wed 4th	<b>NO MASS TODAY</b>		
Thurs 5th <b>Advent Feria</b>	10am Service in Club	Sacred Heart	Service of Word & Communion
Friday 6th <b>Advent Feria</b>	9am Holy Hour 10am Mass 5.45pm Rosary 6pm Mass	Our Lady's Sacred Heart	For the people of the Parish. For the people of the Parish.

St Joseph's School, Armadale Drive LE5 1HF

We welcome Julian, Ved and Noah in Baptism at our Parishes this weekend.



**Altar Servers Practices for Christmas**

Those wanting to serve at Christmas masses, please come along to a practice 11am –12.30pm Monday 23rd December. One practice at each church.

**Upcoming Funerals**

Please pray for our recently deceased and their families.  
Sean McKenna Reception, Monday 2nd Dec 6pm & Funeral Tuesday 3rd Dec 1pm at Sacred Heart.

*Eternal rest grant unto them oh Lord, may they rest in peace. Amen.*



**Sanctuary Lamps OLGC:** Private Intention.



**Prayer in our Parishes**

**Jesus Youth** Mondays 6.30pm in SH Parish hall.

Tamil Mass Next Sunday 8th December at 11.30am at Our Lady's followed by Christmas Party. All Welcome, please come along if you can.

Saturday 7th	6.30pm Vigil Mass	Sacred Heart	<b>RIP</b> Peter & Maria Vaz, Anne Monteiro, Milagrina & Lourenco Fernandes.
Sunday 8th <b>2nd Sunday Of Advent</b>  (Live-streamed)	9am Mass	St Joseph's	<b>RIP</b> Frank Llewellyn Maylan. <b>B'Day</b> Oscar Desouza & Fly & Odelia Desouza. <b>RIP</b> Maria De Souza, Cecilia Maria DaCruz Verediana Pereira & Anthony Castanha. <b>GH B'Day</b> Denzil Guedes.
	10.15 Mass	Our Lady's	
	11.30 Mass	Sacred Heart	

**Good Shepherd Prayer Group**

meet on Tuesdays 6-7.30pm in the Sacred Heart Club. All welcome.

**St Joseph's Blessed Sacrament**

**Chapel** Open daily in daylight hrs.

**Journeying with the Scriptures in a**

**Time of Grief** Fri 13th Dec 4.30pm

in St J's Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

**Churches in the Holy Family Parish Cluster:** St Joseph's, 12 Goodwood Road, Leicester LE5 6SG

Our Lady of Good Counsel, 15, Peebles Way, Rushey Mead LE4 7ZB

Sacred Heart & St Margaret Mary, 25, Mere Road, Leicester LE5 3HS

**Parish Priest:** Fr David Cain **Assistant Priest:** Fr Vitalis Akandu **Parish Deacon:** Rev Séamus O'Looskan

**Retired Priest in the Parish:** Fr John Tavares **Safeguarding Coordinator:** Mrs Mary Hirst

**Safeguarding Reps:** SH Martina Guedes 07513 725549 **OLGC** Tammy Pereira 07513 725402 **SJ** Julie Spencer 07513 725514.

**Parish Office Manager &** holyfamilyleicester@dioceseofnottingham.uk

**Contact:** Anne Cartwright or 0116 251 1437

**Website:** www.sacredheartchurchleicester.co.uk **Facebook, YouTube & Instagram:** sacredheartparishleicester

**Live-stream from SH** 11.30am on Facebook & YouTube & other services as announced.

**St Margaret Mary Community Mass**

at St Paul's Polish Church, Wakerley Rd, LE5 4WE



## Christmas Mass Times

### Christmas Eve Masses

4.30pm Family Mass at St Joseph's  
6.30pm Family Mass at Sacred Heart  
6.30pm Family Mass at Our Lady's

### Christmas Night Masses

10pm at St Joseph's (9.30 Carols)  
Midnight Sacred Heart (11.30 Carols)  
Midnight Our Lady's (11.30 Carols)

### Christmas Day Masses

9am at St Joseph's  
10.15am at Our Lady's  
11.30am at Sacred Heart



## Come to our Christmas Markets

1st December St Joseph's after 9am Mass.  
8th December Sacred Heart after 11.30am Mass.  
15th December Our Lady's after 10.15am Mass.



Each market will last for 90 minutes and funds will be donated to our churches. Please come along, get to know other people in your community, have fun, support your church, and maybe leave with a few of your Christmas gifts sorted. At St Joseph's, our Home from Home charity shop will also be open.

**Please remember to bring enough cash to Mass on these days to buy raffle tickets and support the market stalls.**

### Christmas Carols by candlelight

Saturday 14th Dec at 6.30pm at Sacred Heart Meet in car park for Carols and process into church for Mass.

Saturday 21st Dec at 6.30pm at St Joseph's. Carols by the tree in the garden and process into church for Mass.

### No 9am Mass at St Joseph's on 22nd Dec.

We hope to have a volunteer to be able to organise this at Our Lady of Good Counsel next year.

### Advent Confessions: Sat 30th Nov 8-9.30am at Sacred Heart,

Saturdays 9.30-11am: 7th Dec at Our Lady's & 14th Dec at St Joseph's

### Christmas Eve Confessions: 9-10.30am at St Joseph's,

10.30-12noon at Our Lady's & 12noon-1.30pm at Sacred Heart

## AMAZING Christmas Markets Raffle

GAP Property & Electrical Services have donated a fabulous raffle prize for our Christmas Markets. Two tickets to watch Leicester City play Liverpool on Saturday 19th April 2025 at King Power Stadium. Prize includes a 3 course meal, a glass of champagne on arrival, unlimited drinks, welcome gift & half time pie. Worth a whopping £450 each!!

Tickets available on Christmas Market Days at each church, £1 each or £5 a strip. Come along and get your tickets.

### Rosary Rally

**THIS Sunday 1st December at 1.30pm in the city centre opposite Sports Direct. If you love to pray the Rosary, please come along and join us.**

*"When people love and recite the Rosary, they find it makes them better."* St Anthony Mary Claret.

Contact Maziano for more info: 07737158224.

### Parish Cluster trip to the Pantomime

Join us for our annual pantomime trip to the DeMontfort Hall Panto on Saturday 21st December at 10am. This year it is Snow White. Tickets are £30 per Adult and £25 Child. To book, you will need to take a Panto envelope, available in all churches, fill it in and place the appropriate cash in the envelope and return it to the Parish Office. Unfortunately we cannot take online payments for this event.

### Tickets are selling out fast so book up today!

A trip to the Panto is a fantastic way to begin the celebrations of Christmas!

### Caritas Advent Calendar

In this season of Advent, Caritas are amplifying the reach of local charities to bring light into the darkness. Please follow the link and help Caritas in raising voices of hope.

<https://bit.ly/3ZmMGul>

**St Joseph's Church Memorial Garden** When I became Parish Priest of St Joseph's, I put up a key safe at the gate to the Memorial Garden to enable the families of those laid to rest here to access the garden whenever they wished. Sadly, this approach has failed. I was relatively accepting when particular family members were aggressive towards me in the garden, but what is not acceptable is for those working in the garden to face this too. Therefore, until further notice, the garden is only available during and for one hour after the weekly Tuesday Mass and for one hour before and during the Sunday Mass. I apologise to the families who have been respectful to others and the memorial garden and please do contact the parish office if you have a particular request to access the garden. *Fr David.*

If the ashes of your relatives buried in the garden, it would be helpful if you could inform the office as records of this have not been made available to us.

### OLGC Collection 24th November

Loose & Envelopes £334.70  
Standing Orders £129.00  
Total £463.70

### SH Collections 23rd/24th November

Loose & Envelopes £683.90  
Standing Orders £490.75  
Total £1174.65

### SJ Collections 24th November

Loose & Envelopes £459.00  
Standing Orders £415.75  
Total £874.75

**Next Sunday we welcome Leicester Charnwood Lions Club who will join us at St Joseph's for Mass and refreshments.**

**Parish Bank Account Details:** SH: Sacred Heart Leicester RCP Account number: 00949284 Sort Code: 30-15-97 OLGC: Our Lady of Good Counsel Leicester RCP Account number: 51819560 Sort Code: 30-94-97. SJ: St Joseph's Leicester RCP Account number: 51763560 Sort Code: 30-94-97. **Please put a reference detailing the nature of your payment when paying into our Parish accounts.**

